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Health center planned at Kmart site

Henry Ford Health System officials announced plans last week to build a 120,000 square-foot outpatient medical center at the former Kmart site on Ann Arbor Road near Haggerty Road which has been vacant since 2017.

According to an official statement from the health care system, the sale of the property is expected to be finalized this summer and construction should begin shortly thereafter. A completion date of 2021 is anticipated, according to officials.

The planned outpatient medical center will be a multi-story building located at 40855 Ann Arbor Road and will provide specialty care services and will have an emergency department and ambulatory surgery center.

The medical center will expand the Henry Ford footprint in western Wayne to three outpatient facilities. The current facilities are at 14300 N. Beck Road in Plymouth and 6100 Haggerty in Canton Township. Both provide primary and specialty care services and have a pharmacy onsite.

In addition to an emergency facility and ambulatory surgery center, the new site will offer services for patients and families of all ages including cancer screening, cardiology, gastroenterology, integrative medicine like acupuncture and chiropractic care, lab services, orthopedics, physical therapy, radiology, pharmacy and walk-in clinic. It will be staffed by more than 120 team members, according to Henry Ford officials.

Artist's rendering of proposed Henry Ford Health Center.

"In keeping with our ongoing strategy, this development will bring a comprehensive level of services to our growing base of patients in western Wayne County," Bob Riney, Henry Ford president of Healthcare Operations and chief operating officer, said in a prepared release. "We're grateful for the support of township Supervisor Kurt Heise and his team and the opportunity to be part of revitalizing this viable piece of property in Plymouth Township."

Heise said he believes such a development will spur more interest in development along that corridor.

"This is an absolute home run for Plymouth Township and western Wayne County," said Heise.

"I think you're going to see some terrific development coming in the next several years" he added.

"You're looking at people going there every day for medical treatment."

Top dogs

2 new canine officers join Canton police department

Canton Township welcomed two new officers to the police force last week.

Canine Ofc. Ragnar, along with his handler/partner Ofc. Bryan Szostak and Canine Ofc. Tino, with his handler/partner Ofc. Rian Zinser, received certifications from the National Association of Professional Canine Handlers and the K9 Academy Training Facility.

During their intensive 288-hour certification program, both K9 teams completed advanced obedience training along with training in tracking, evidence searches, building searches, area searches and handler protection. The teams are also certified to locate heroin, cocaine, methamphetamines and ecstasy.

Ragnar is a Dutch-German Shepherd cross breed, and Tino is a German Shepherd. Both are 17-months old, and were imported from East Germany. Drug forfeiture funds were used to purchase and train the new canine officers. Forfeiture funds are also used for additional canine expenses including food, equipment and veterinary services.

Prior to working their first shift in Canton, both teams received valuable donations including a Buddy Bag full of canine medical supplies to treat injuries sustained in the field, from the K9 Defender Fund a non-profit organization. They also received raid vests from Brady's K9 Fund, a non-profit organization founded by a 9-year-old boy whose goal was to provide vest protection for police canines.

Canine Ofc. Ragnar

Canine Ofc. Tino

"We are grateful for the generous donations from both non-profit organizations," said Public Safety Director Joshua Meier. "Our K9 units have always received tremendous support from the community, and these donations of safety enhancements are reflective of the compassion expressed and felt toward our canine officers," Meier added.

Suspended superintendent files $2 million lawsuit

Wayne Westland Community Schools Superintendent Dr. Shelly Holt has filed a $2 million lawsuit against the school district.

She alleges the members of the school board placed her on administrative leave as retaliation against her for reporting violations of federal and state laws governing the operation of the district according to a prepared statement released on school district letterhead Monday.

Dr. Shelly Holt

Members of the school board voted 4-3 June 20 to place Holt on administrative leave while multiple complaints about her performance were investigated. Residents, parents, students and others spoke to members of the board for more than 90 minutes in 3-minute intervals with complaints regarding Holt's performance of her duties during a meeting in early June.

> *Members of the school board voted 4-3 June 20 to place Holt on administrative leave while multiple complaints about her performance were investigated.*

In her lawsuit filing, Holt claims she took action to correct issues regarding the administration of district financial affairs including several reported acts of employees bypassing purchase requirements and failing to act, which she claims cost the district $80,000 in fines to the Internal Revenue Service. She also claims, according to the statement, that she sought to correct the illegal use of disciplinary withdrawals against predominantly African American students. These students were removed from the district without notice of legitimate reasons for their transfer, she alleges, a violation of state law.

"I am appalled by the School Board's handling of the matter," stated Anthony Adams, Holt's legal counsel, "Dr. Holt is an outstanding educator who continues to be committed to improving the education of the Wayne Westland School District. I look forward to clearing her name, restoring her reputation and helping her fulfill her plans for Wayne Westland students."

Holt further claims in her lawsuit that she began to correct longstanding violations of special education students' rights by the district and that the board members' "conduct in this regard was a violation of both federal and state laws that govern the treatment of these students."

She claims she initiated the task of diversifying the administrative composition of the district which lacked African Americans in senior-level positions. She further alleges that the board "has engaged in disparate treatment of her as a Black woman, when it relates to the handling of complaints being made against her. When a former white superintendent was the subject to bullying allegations, the matter was handled without public fanfare," according to the prepared statement."

Holt is also seeking to enjoin the board from taking further action pending a judicial determination as the propriety of the action being taken against her, according to the

School Board President David Cox was out of town and unavailable for comment.

Northville - Plymouth

City asks for voluntary water use restrictions

Officials in the City of Plymouth have suggested voluntary water use restrictions throughout the summer months in an effort to control future water rate increases.

Officials have suggested that residents Program automatic lawn sprinklers to water during the overnight hours between 10:01 p.m. and 4:59 a.m. and use the delay feature when running dishwashers and clothes washers to run during the overnight hours between 10:01 p.m. and 4:59 a.m.

They have also suggested watering gardens during the day between the hours of 10:01 a.m. and 4:59 p.m. and only filling swimming pool during the day between the hours of 10:01 a.m. and 4:59 p.m.

They have also suggested washing cars during the day between the hours of 10:01 a.m. and 4:59 p.m.

Doing so will decrease the city usage during peak times, which is one factor the Great Lakes Water Authority uses to set water rates, officials noted in a prepared statement.

More information is available from the City of Plymouth Department of Municipal Services, (734) 453-7737.

Northville offers free Rape Aggression Defense classes

A free Rape Aggression Defense (RAD) training program is planned for interested women on Aug. 31 and Sept. 7 in the lower level at Northville City Hall. It will be the second time the free program is being offered this year.

The main objective of the program is to empower women to defend themselves during an attempted assault or attack. The program also strives to help lower the risk of women becoming victims by teaching basic self-defense moves to use if faced with an attacker.

The program will be conducted in two four and one-half hour sessions, at a time to be determined. The full nine-hour course includes a lecture, discussion, and a hands-on self-defense component. Northville Police officers Melissa Vernon and Matt Duggins are the instructors.

"Women learn how to handle themselves in the presence of an aggressor and how to connect with their own physical power," Vernon said. During the practice session, participants are trained in ways to place kicks and strikes to a padded target to practice warding off an attacker. The class also covers ways to make quick but sound decisions when confronted by an attacker.

According to statistics compiled by RAINN (Rape Abuse and Incest National Network), one out of every six women in the United States has been a victim of sexual assault. The majority (almost 70 percent) of sexual assaults happen to women under the age of 35.

"Regardless of the risk of being assaulted and at what age," Vernon said, "RAD focuses on educating women about the four risks of personal safety: risk awareness, risk reduction, risk recognition, and risk avoidance.

"The initial program we conducted in the spring empowered students to be overall more confident and aware of their surroundings. Also, the participants truly enjoyed learning the self-defense techniques."

Participants must commit to attending both classes which are limited to 12 participants. For more information or to register, call (248) 305-2723.

The program includes a lifetime return and practice policy. Participants who complete the program are allowed to return to practice at any location where RAD training is offered.

Board extends superintendent's contract

Members of the Plymouth Canton Community Schools District Board of Education unanimously approved the extension of Superintendent of Schools Monica Merritt's contract through June 22, 2022.

Merritt received a "highly effective" rating on her annual evaluation by the board members, evaluating her performance. Board members had only praise for her performance and effective leadership.

Merritt thanked the board members for their confidence in her.

"Thank you for your trust in me," Merritt said. "There is no way this district would have the success it has had without a collaborative effort.

"Three years ago, when this position became available, I know it wasn't the easiest decision for you to choose me, but I appreciate you for trusting in me. When you talk about stability, as long as you will have me, I'll be right here in this seat. I love this district, I love the students and I love our staff," she told the board members.

> *I appreciate you for trusting in me.*
> *When you talk about stability, as long as you will have me,*
> *I'll be right here in this seat.*

Monica Merritt

Grub Crawl tickets on sale

Tickets are on sale now for the 15th Annual Northville Grub Crawl set for 6-9:30 p.m. July 23.

Participants can indulge in the unique collection of restaurants in Northville while sampling signature specialties. Crawlers can use free shuttle transportation to each restaurant or "crawl" on their own.

Tickets are $25 per person and available now online at www.northville.org/grub-crawl, at Good Time Party Store, 567 West Seven Mile Road, Northville or the Northville Chamber of Commerce, 195 South Main St., Northville.

Tickets have sold out in past years, organizers said, so early purchase is advised.

For more information, visit the Northville Chamber of Commerce website www.northville.org or call (248) 349-7640.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
THURSDAY, AUGUST 1, 2019
6:00 P.M.

PLEASE NOTE that the Zoning Board of Appeals will hold its Regular Meeting on Thursday, August 1, 2019 commencing at 6:00 p.m., to consider:

Application 1596, R78-050-01-0012-000, 48655 Chambury CT, R-1-H zoning district and is requesting one variance to construct a covered rear porch that would reduce the rear yard setback to 48 feet whereas 50 feet is required. Variance requested is two (2) feet.

The meeting will be held at Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 N. Haggerty Road in the Town Hall Meeting Room.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed proposals at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, August 1, 2019 for the following:

SOUND AND LIGHTING SUPPORT SERVICES FOR CANTON'S LIBERTY FESTIVAL

Proposals may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department, on the MITN Purchasing Group website at https://www.bidnetdirect.com/mitn/cantontownship or you may contact Mike Sheppard at: 734/394-5225. All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of proposal opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

MICHAEL SIEGRIST, CLERK

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon notice to the Charter Township of Canton.

In accordance with the requirements of Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("ADA"), the Charter Township of Canton will not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities on the basis of disability in its services, programs, or activities.

Employment: The Charter Township of Canton does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its hiring or employment practices and complies with all regulations promulgated by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission under Title II of the ADA.

Effective Communication: The Charter Township of Canton will generally, upon request, provide appropriate aids and services leading to effective communication for qualified persons with disabilities so they can participate equally in the Charter Township of Canton's programs, services, and activities, including qualified sign language interpreters, documents in Braille, and other ways of making information and communications accessible to people who have speech, hearing, or vision impairments.

Modifications to Policies and Procedures: The Charter Township of Canton will make all reasonable modifications to policies and programs to ensure that people with disabilities have an equal opportunity to enjoy all of its programs, services, and activities. For example, individuals with service animals are welcomed in the Charter Township of Canton's offices, even where pets are generally prohibited.

Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, or a modification of policies or procedures to participate in a program, service, or activity of the Charter Township of Canton should contact the office of Barb Brouillette, Human Resources Coordinator, Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188, (734) 394-5260 as soon as possible but no later than 48 hours before the scheduled event.

The ADA does not require the Charter Township of Canton to take any action that would fundamentally alter the nature of its programs or services, or impose an undue financial or administrative burden.

Complaints that a program, service, or activity of the Charter Township of Canton is not accessible to persons with disabilities should be directed to Barb Brouillette, Human Resources Coordinator, Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188, (734) 394-5260.

The Charter Township of Canton will not place a surcharge on a particular individual with a disability or any group of individuals with disabilities to cover the cost of providing auxiliary aids/services or reasonable modifications of policy, such as retrieving items from locations that are open to the public but are not accessible to persons who use wheelchairs.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

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OUTDOOR GUN RANGE TARGET SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS

Proposals may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department, on the MITN Purchasing Group website at https://www.bidnetdirect.com/mitn/cantontownship or you may contact Mike Sheppard at: 734/394-5225. All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of proposal opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

MICHAEL SIEGRIST, CLERK

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PLANNING COMMISSION
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Michigan Public Act 110 of 2006, of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, August 5, 2019 in the ***First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m.*** on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

MARKETPLACE OF AMERICA II CONDITIONAL REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NOS. 103 99 0001 003, 133 99 0001 001, 133 99 0001 002, 133 99 0001 003, 133 99 0002 000 (3700 MORTON TAYLOR), 133 99 0004 000 (43600 MICHIGAN AVE.), 133 99 0006 000, 133 99 0007 000, 133 99 0009 000 (43800 MICHIGAN AVE.), 133 99 0010 000 (43820 MICHIGAN AVE.) AND 138 99 0004000 FROM C-3 REGIONAL COMMERCIAL TO R-6, SINGLE-FAMILY ATTACHED RESIDENTIAL AND C-3, REGIONAL COMMERCIAL AS PERMITTED IN SECTION 27.07. Property is located north of Michigan Avenue between Morton Taylor and Lilley Roads.

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S. prior to Thursday, August 1, 2019 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

SEE ATTACHED MAP

Greg Greene, Chairman
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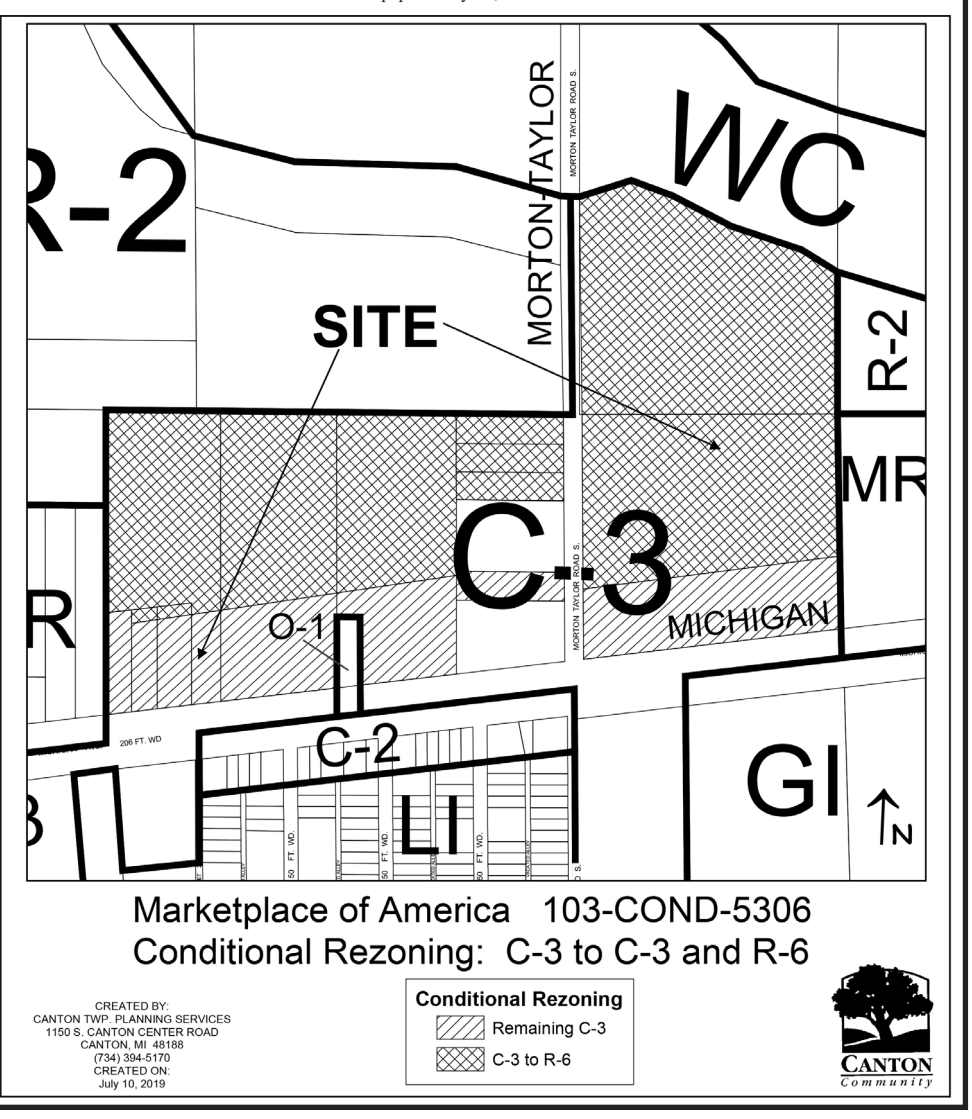

CANTON

Canton to offer absentee ballots to all voters

Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Michigan voters last year OK'd a measure to make absentee voting easier, and Canton Township Clerk Michael Siegrist is following up locally.

"Now anybody is eligible," he said, adding age limits no longer apply, nor do issues of being away from the polls on Election Day. "It's almost a built-in reminder, hey, there's an election."

Siegrist's office will soon mail some 65,000 invites to Canton Township voters to give them the chance to vote from home, as absentee voters. Siegrist noted Canton has about 76,000 registered voters, with about 10,000 on the current absentee list.

"We need these processes to work for people," he said, noting other communities have expanded absentee voting. He said 2020 will have three elections: the February presidential preference, August primary and November general election, with the latter including the U.S. presidency.

Also at the July 9 Canton Board of Trustees meeting, George Belvitch, president of Plymouth-Canton Parents and Friends of Gays and Lesbians (PFLAG), thanked township leaders for help with a June 23 Canton Pride event at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill. Belvitch and others also spoke June 11 as Canton trustees proclaimed June 2019 Pride Month.

> *"Now anybody is eligible.*
> *It's almost a built-in reminder,*
> *hey, there's an election."*

The Plymouth-Canton PFLAG group formed in 2014. PFLAG was founded in 1975 when a mother boldly and publicly supported her gay son, according to the group literature. PFLAG is the first and largest organization in the nation for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer people. It also helps their parents, families and allies.

The June 23 Canton Pride event was presented by Plymouth-Canton PFLAG, the Plymouth-Canton Gender & Sexuality Alliance, and In the Band Music Appreciation Studio.

Belvitch praised Cherry Hill Village Theater Arts Coordinator Joe Kvoriak, and the crew there for the help provided for the event. Proceeds support the Ruth Ellis Center in Highland Park and other groups, said Belvitch.

At the June 11 meeting, one speaker noted in other countries, but not the U.S.A., people are killed for falling in love with someone of the same sex. In 2014, Canton Trustee Steven Sneideman brought a local township ordinance motion, noting of that 2014 Canton meeting, "There were a lot of moving speeches" and many attended.

He worked with Sommer Foster, now a Canton Township trustee who was with Equality Michigan in 2014. Sneideman says many people either stayed in Canton or came back due to the legal protection of LGBTQ people offered.

Canton leaders are currently talking with Lansing officials on greater protection for and support of the LGBTQ community. Foster said after the June 11 meeting, "The governor has indicated she's supportive," as well as bills introduced in the state House and Senate.

Rally on Ridge

Annual fundraiser is planned

The sixth annual Rally on Ridge is set for 5:50 until 9 p.m. Saturday, July 27 as a benefit for the Canton Farmers Market.

The special fundraiser has been moved this year to Cherry Hill School, located at 50440 Cherry Hill Road which will host food trucks featuring gourmet menus, as well as live music from local artists. Event-goers who plan to stay for the music are encouraged to bring along a lawn chair or picnic blanket.

A variety of food trucks are expected to take part in the event, including: Impasto, Fortune Cooking, Time to Chill Gelato, as well as Shimmy Shack featuring vegan cuisine. A complete list of participating food trucks will be available on the Canton Farmers Market Facebook page the week of the event. In addition, a Beer Garden featuring hard cider selections will also be available for participants 21 and older. Discounted pre-sale beer tickets will be available online at www.cantonfun.org through July 26, where five tickets can be purchased for $15 by entering Rally on Ridge 2019 under Register for Programs. Adult beverages on the menu include: Clear Coast Mango Guava (hard sparking water), Perrin Gold Ale, and Blake's Hard Cider - Rainbow Seeker.

"This annual event offers the perfect opportunity to enjoy a pleasant summer evening outside and some delicious eats from a fantastic lineup of gourmet food trucks, as well as talented local entertainment," said Farmers Market Supervisor Christa Williams. "It's the perfect event for showcasing the home of the Canton Farmers Market while building community support for market programming."

A portion of the proceeds collected from food vendor sales during the special fundraiser will benefit the Canton Farmers Market, which is currently celebrating its 13th season. With the recent influx in "buy local" initiatives, the Canton Farmers Market is seeing an increase in both the number of participating growers and in customers. The market continues to expand offerings during Market hours, from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Sunday, rain or shine, through Oct. 13, at Preservation Park.

Gourmet food trucks provide plenty of options during the annual Rally on Ridge, a summer event featuring food, fun, music, and more. Photo courtesy of Canton Farmers Market

Additional parking will be available at Preservation Park, located at 500 N. Ridge. There is no admission fee for the event. For additional information about this special fundraiser, as well as the Canton Farmers Market, visit www.canton-mi.org/496.

Promoted

Joseph Bialy has been promoted to the rank of lieutenant with the Canton Township Police Department. Bialy was joined by Township Supervisor Pat Williams, at right, and Public Safety Director Joshua Meier, center, recently during a township board of trustees meeting. Bialy was hired in 2004 as a police officer and was promoted to the rank of sergeant in 2014. Also on hand were Bialy's family including wife, Cary, and daughters Kaitlyn, Sydney and Madysen. He will be a platoon commander in the patrol division in his new role.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA
AUGUST 8th, 2019

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals **THURSDAY, August 8th, 2019 at 7:00 PM.** The meeting will be held in the Board Room at the Township Administration Building located at 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188.

7:00 P.M.

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Jim Cisek, Vicki Welty, Craig Engel, Greg Greco and James Malinowski.
Alternate: Gregory Demopoulos

Approval of Agenda

Approval of Minutes:
July 11th, 2019 Meeting Minutes

General Calendar:

1. Applicant Jason Lewkut, for property located at 41480 Stafford Court on the west side of Haggerty between Cherry Hill and Palmer Roads, Zoning R-5. Appealing 2.03d(1) 2.03d(30 Accessory Structures and Uses. Parcel ID 71-092-02-0030-000 (Building)

2. Applicant Megan (Rogers) Hill, for property located at 43973 Brandywyne Road on the south side of Brandywyne Road between Sheldon and Warren Roads, Zoning R-5, Appealing Article V , Fences, Walls and Borders Section 78-129(g) Parcel ID 71-012-01-0131-000 (Building)

3. Applicant David Cach, for property located at 44603 Ridgefield Road, on the south side of Ridgefield between Sheldon and Canton Center Roads, Zoning R-5, Appealing Recorded, Platted Public Easement (State of Michigan) Zoning Ordinance states no building(s) allowed in easement. Parcel ID 71-106-02-0065-000 (Building)

Written comments need to be submitted prior to 4:00 PM on the date of the hearing. All written comments must be sent to the Charter Township of Canton, Clerk's Office, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd., Canton, MI 48188, Phone 734-394-5120.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS
In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals with disabilities who require special accommodations, auxiliary aids or services to attend participate at the meeting/hearing should contact Kerreen Conley, Human Resources Manager, at 734-394-5260.
Reasonable accommodations can be made with advance notice.
A complete copy of the Access to Public Meetings Policy is available at www.canton-mi.org CN1915 - 071819 2.5 x 5.281

PLANNING COMMISSION
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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MCMAHON HELICOPTER SERVICES SPECIAL LAND USE - CONSIDER REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL FOR AIRPORT RELATED BUSINESS AS REQUIRED IN SECTION 22.02 B.18 FOR PARCEL NOS. 005 99 0006 000 (8170 LILLEY) AND 005 99 0007 000 (8120 LILLEY). Property is located south of Joy Road and east of Lilley Road.

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S. prior to Thursday, August 1, 2019 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

SEE ATTACHED MAP

Greg Greene, Chairman
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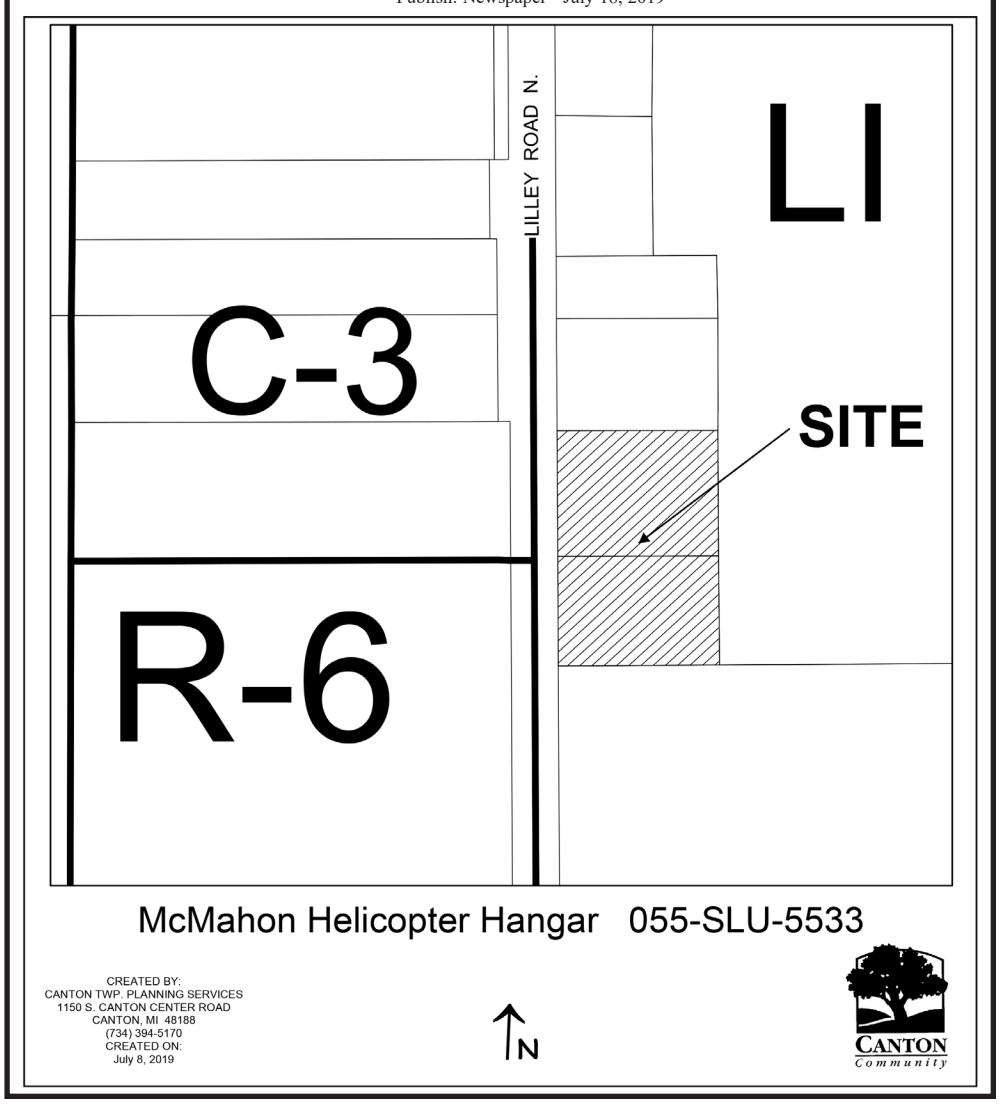

McMahon Helicopter Hangar 055-SLU-5533

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CANTON TWP. PLANNING SERVICES
1150 S. CANTON CENTER ROAD
CANTON, MI 48188
(734) 394-5170
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Wayne-Westland

Teen sentenced to 40 years in fatal shooting

A Wayne teen will spend the next 25 to 40 years in prison following his guilty plea to the charge of second-degree murder and a felony weapons charge.

Antoine Perry, 16 at the time of the shooting last year, was tried as an adult in the death of Devin Woods Nov. 26 outside the Hype Athletic Center in Wayne. Prosecutors alleged that the shooting took place as Perry tried to take marijuana from Woods without paying and the attempted theft escalated into the shooting death. Woods, 19, managed to crawl into the athletic center where emergency responders transported him to Beaumont Hospital in Wayne where he was pronounced dead on arrival.

Perry entered a guilty plea during court proceedings last month.

Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Regina Thomas sentenced Perry, telling him that his senseless act had destroyed lives, including his own. Prosecutors alleged that Perry shot Woods more than 10 times.

The judge ordered no contact between Perry and the Woods family.

Girls, Golf and Gadgets day-camp set for Aug. 12-22

The City of Westland and University of Michigan-Dearborn are pairing sports and technology to keep young women dreaming big about STEM during the free Girls, Golf and Gadgets two-week day camp.

Westland and the University of Michigan-Dearborn College of Engineering and Computer Science (CECS) already have a successful mentoring program at the Jefferson Barns Learning Lab, which hopes to spark student's college and career dreams by pairing UM-Dearborn students with youth in the historic Norwayne neighborhood.

"Studies have shown that the middle to high school transition is when some young women start shifting away from things like engineering and computer science," said Jeanne Girard, director of Extended Learning and Outreach at UM-Dearborn.

Given this challenge, Girard and her team of collaborators set out to design a program that could help sustain young women's interest in STEM subjects through this critical time. One idea was a two-week day camp that combines building mobile apps at the Jefferson Barns Learning Lab with playing golf at the Westland Municipal Golf Course.

UM-Dearborn golf coach Kelly Kuhlman, who's handling the golf part of the Girls, Golf and Gadgets program, says golf and app development aren't as strange a match as they may appear. She says technology and analytics are playing a bigger role in the sport mare than ever. With constant mental analysis of distances, trajectories and angles of approach, there's a ton of computational problem solving that's involved in the game.

The Girls, Golf and Gadgets program is set for Aug. 12 through 22. Participants can register through July 26at umdearborn.edu/G3-program . There is no cost for the program.

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Computer science professor Brahim Medjahed says pairing sports with app development makes a lot of sense from his perspective, too. "I like to think that computational thinking is fun in its own right," Medjahed commented, "But it's summer. Kids want to be outside. And they love their phones. So why not teach them about coding, but in a way that seems fun to them?"

That's why the summer camp will include a half day of golf instruction with Kuhlman and her student-athletes and another half where Medjahed, two of his standout female computer science students, and Wayne-Westland computer science teacher and Jefferson Barns Learning Lab Director Josh Rychlicki will teach participants how to build apps for their phones. The connection is that the apps will be designed to help students with some aspects of their golf game, for example, recommending an appropriate club based on the distance to the hole. What the apps do specifically will be left up to the students' imaginations.

UM-Dearborn education professor Mesut Duran will also be lending his expertise with a post-project evaluation. In particular, he's interested to see if pairing sports with STEM activities can do what the team hopes it can do, strengthen students' interest in STEM subjects during their identity-shaping teenage years.

Westland Mayor William R. Wild says partnerships with UM-Dearborn faculty, staff and students are crucial to pulling off innovative projects like Girls, Golf and Gadgets.

"Part of that is about a pooling of resources," commented Wild. "But it's also about leveraging creativity and unique expertise to create fun, rewarding learning opportunities for local youth. This unique program offers opportunity for advancement of both marketable STEM skills and the soft skills of athletics."

According to Ghassan Kridli, CECS associate dean and professor, "The Girls, Golf and Gadgets program offers a way to kindle curiosity among the participants in STEM education by helping them develop their own connections of the applications of STEM in everyday life. The success of the program is a win for all."

Beaumont Wayne is site of employee protest rally

Scores of caregivers were expected at Beaumont Hospital Wayne yesterday for a planned "Rally for Quality Care & Good Jobs." Healthcare workers at Beaumont hospitals in Taylor, Trenton and Wayne have serious concerns about the quality of care for their patients, and are struggling with severe understaffing, unaffordable healthcare and wages as low as $9.45 an hour, which make it extremely difficult to recruit and retain qualified staff, according to a prepared release from SEIU, the union which represents healthcare workers at Beaumont.

Tensions have boiled over recently as caregivers discovered that Beaumont Health had more than $4.6 billion in revenue and $142 million in profits last year, and that CEO John Fox received an 82 percent total compensation increase to more than $5.6 million in 2017, the press release stated. Tax documents also reveal a long list of other Beaumont executives with double digit compensation increases and well over $1 million each in compensation in 2017, the latest year that IRS data is available. Beaumont workers, who are members of SEIU Healthcare Michigan, have been trying to negotiate a new union contract with urgently needed improvements since the last agreement expired on June 30, 2018, but management is not providing necessary financial information and has been delaying negotiations, the prepared statement claimed.

"I'm a people person so I love making sure my patients are well cared for," said Estella Harding, who has been a patient transporter at Beaumont Hospital in Wayne for almost 30 years. "But we need better staffing throughout the hospital so we can provide better care. We're dealing with people's lives, we're not a factory or assembly line. Every patient is different, has unique needs and should be treated according to their illness. The certified nursing assistants and transporters often feel like we're rushing. If a nursing assistant has 12 patients or even more, it's extremely difficult to provide personalized care to each one. I felt cheated and unappreciated by Beaumont when I learned of the huge executive payouts. Recently management told us if we lower the number of patient falls, they'll throw us a pizza party. We don't need a pizza party, we need safe staffing to protect our patients."

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The 1,000 caregivers include certified nursing assistants, emergency room techs, operating room techs, pharmacy techs, environmental services, nutrition services, patient transporters, patient sitters, clerks and others. In order to get management to listen to their concerns, caregivers have launched a major public information effort to inform their patients, elected officials and community members. The outreach includes a mobile billboard that is circling the three hospitals and Beaumont corporate headquarters; a website www.UnitedForABetterBeaumont.org which allows community members to email and call CEO John Fox; letters to local, state and federal elected officials; a one-minute radio ad which will air frequently on multiple stations; extensive social media ads which use the hashtag #UnitedForABetter Beaumont and "tag" Beaumont Health; informational flyers distributed to patients and community members at the three hospitals; an online video featuring Beaumont caregivers speaking out about their personal experiences; ongoing press conferences and protests at Beaumont events; opinion pieces in news outlets by caregivers and increasing workplace actions.

"We have been meeting with the SEIU for over a year, bargaining in good faith, with the goal of reaching a mutually agreeable labor contract. We have met with multiple SEIU negotiators in more than 24 sessions. We remain committed to continuing to bargain in good faith with the union and are looking forward to coming to an agreement," commented Aaron Gillingham, Beaumont chief human resources officer.

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A fond farewell

Long-serving deputy clerk to retire

Scott Spielman
Special Writer

Members of the Romulus City Council marked a milestone last week: it was Deputy Clerk Barb Fitzgerald's last council meeting.

Fitzgerald, who has worked for the city in several capacities for more than 33 years, will retire next month.

"She is just a phenomenal woman, inside and out," said Romulus Clerk Ellen Craig-Bragg. "She's shown exemplary dedication to this community."

Fitzgerald started to work for the city on Sept. 18, 1985, as an assistant administrative director in the Human Resources Department. She was promoted to assistant personnel director in 1990 and eventually served as acting personnel director before she was officially appointed to that role in November, 2001.

Barb Fitzgerald

She nearly left the city a short time later, but decided to take a position in the clerk's department in 2004, instead.

"She was ready to move on, but we convinced her she should stay a little longer," said Linda Choate, who was the city clerk at the time. "She's a wonderful person, not just for the quality of her work, but as a person."

Craig-Bragg said she was certainly glad Fitzgerald stayed.

"I wasn't really sure what to do after I was elected," she said. "Linda said: 'Barb would make a really good deputy clerk.' I haven't regretted it a day. I wouldn't be the clerk I am without her by my side."

Now, 300 council meetings and more than 900 resolutions later, she's ready to move on.

"She'll be missed not only by her friends and co-workers at city hall, but also the citizens of Romulus," said Craig-Bragg.

Romulus Mayor LeRoy Burcroff agreed. "She didn't just do a super job, she went above and beyond. She gave of herself to help others," he said.

Romulus City Clerk Ellen Craig-Bragg, left, wishes retiring Deputy Clerk Barb Fitzgerald well during a recent city council meeting. Fitzgerald has worked for the city for more than 33 years.

Councilwoman Virginia Williams said she was one of the first people she met when she and her husband first moved to Romulus to build a new home.

"You were the beginning of the city's problem with me filing FOIAs," joked Williams, who was a resident activist before she was elected to council. "Because you explained it to me and told me just what to do to get the information I requested."

Council President John Barden said he, too, would be sad to see her go.

"It's customer service. When you walk in, you always see smiles from the clerk and deputy clerk," he said. "It means a lot to the public. She was always helpful."

Man charged in rape of Romulus senior citizen

Christopher Darnell Moore

A 39-year-old parolee has been charged with the sexual assault of a 67-year-old Romulus woman.

According to the office of Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy, Christopher Darnell Moore was arraigned last Wednesday in 34th District Court on charges of criminal sexual conduct, third degree which carries a 15-year maximum penalty, upon conviction. Prosecutors allege that Moore went to an apartment building in the 11000 block of Wayne Road in Romulus at about 12:30 p.m. June 30 and knocked on the victim's door. He allegedly represented that he was working for a company that assisted senior citizens and once the victim let him inside the apartment, he allegedly sexually assaulted the individual.

Romulus police were called to the scene and an investigation including surveillance photos led to the arrest of Moore within 72 hours of the incident.

He was arraigned July 10 before 34th District Court Magistrate Lisa Martin and given a $500,000 cash bond. His preliminary examination on the charges is set for July 31 before Judge David Parrott.

Van Buren hires new grounds, building officer

Kristopher Schlutow is the new Van Buren Township Superintendent of Building and Grounds, besting a field of more than 100 candidates for the $62,128 job.

Schlutow's hiring was confirmed at the regular meeting of the board of trustees July 2. Schlutow recently worked in the water services sector of the Wayne County Airport Authority for both Detroit Metro and Willow Run airports. He began his career in Bloomfield Township where he worked in the Department of Public Works. According to Van Buren Township Director of Public Services Matthew Best, Schlutow has more than 14 years experience.

Schlutow has the highest rated license, an S-1 Water Distribution System Operators License, according to Best, and has completed courses at the Michigan Public Services Institute. He also earned a bachelor's degree from Western Michigan University.

He replaces former Building and Grounds Superintendent Jeff Fondaw.

Best said Schlutow carries a S-1 Water Distribution System Operators License, the highest, and has successfully completed the Michigan Public Services Institute. He has a bachelor's degree in Liberal Arts and Science from Western Michigan University, majoring in political science.

He indicated at the meeting that he knew he would have to trim his beard, since that evening the board approved a new policy that facial hair on employees has to be not more than ½-inch long.

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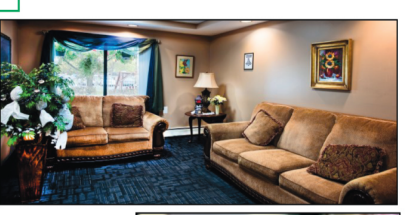

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Bid Package No. 4 - Exterior Improvements

The City of Romulus and the George W. Auch Company will receive firm subcontractor bids for New 34th District Court project at the 11129 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174. The work includes exterior improvement trades for the New 34th District Court project.

A pre-bid meeting will be held on site, 11111 Wayne Road on July 23, 2019 at 2:00PM.
Meet promptly at City Hall, council chambers.

Sealed bids identified with the company's name, are to be submitted in an opaque envelope marked "Sealed Bid, Do Not Open" and be delivered in the City of Romulus Clerk's Office no later than 2:00pm on August 2, 2019. The bid envelopes shall be addressed:

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Complete sets of documents may be downloaded electronically from the MITN Purchasing Group page of BidNet Direct at https://www.bidnetdirect.com/mitn or Pipeline and are available for review at the office of the George W. Auch Company, 65 University Drive, Pontiac, MI 48341 248.334.2000, (Construction Manager) and the City of Romulus Clerk's Office, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174, on or after **July 18, 2019**.

Bid security in the form of a Certified or Cashier's Check or bid bond for a sum no less than five percent (5%) of the amount of the Bid will be required with each Bid.

The City of Romulus reserves the right to accept or reject any bid, or waive irregularities in Bids. No Bid may be withdrawn for a period of one hundred twenty (120) calendar days after the scheduled closing time for receipt of the Bids. A contract may ultimately be awarded to the lowest most responsive and responsible company, as determined in the sole discretion of the City of Romulus or otherwise in a manner deemed by the City to be in its own best interest.

Neither the submission of nor acceptance of any bid shall constitute a contract between any bidder and the City of Romulus. No such contract shall exist without first being approved by a formal action of the members of the Romulus City Council and only after all required bonds and proof of insurances and copies of endorsements have been received by the City and the agreement is signed by authorized representatives of the City of Romulus and the successful Bidder.

All questions regarding the project or the ITB documents should be directed only to Danielle Eschner, George W. Auch Company 248.334.2000 or via email at deschner@auchconstruction.com

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MINUTES OF REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING
July 01, 2019
Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Rd. Romulus, MI 48174

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro-Tem John Barden.
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call: John Barden, Celeste Roscoe, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Eva Webb.
Excused: Abdo, Williams.
Administrative Officials in Attendance:
LeRoy D. Burcroff, Mayor
Barbara Fitzgerald, Deputy Clerk
1. Moved by **Talley,** seconded by **Roscoe** to accept the agenda as amended. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
19-193 2A. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Webb** to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on June 24, 2019. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** – Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Webb. **Nays** – None. **Abstain** – Wadsworth. **Motion Carried**.
19-194 2B. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Talley** to approve the minutes of the special meeting of the Romulus City Council held on June 24, 2019 - open session, proposed changes/corrections to the Romulus Cemetery Rules and Regulations. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** – Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Webb. **Nays** – None. **Abstain** – Wadsworth. **Motion Carried**.
3. Petitioner
Mr. Alan Greene of Dykema Gossett gave an overview of the rezoning request for Precision Vehicle Storage.
19-195 3A. Moved by **Webb,** seconded by **Roscoe** to grant approval for the amended Master Plan for the Downtown and Vining Road Development District. (Full copy of resolution on file in the Clerk's Office.) **Motion Carried Unanimously**
4. Chairperson's Report
4. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Talley** to accept the Chairperson's Report. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
5. Mayor's Report
Mayor Burcroff asked Police Chief, Jadie Settles, to speak about the incident that occurred at the fireworks display. Chief Settles expressed appreciation to the neighboring police communities who assisted the Romulus Police Department that evening.
19-196 5A. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Roscoe** to concur with the administration and authorize a no-fee permit for road closures for the Romulus Community Baptist Church annual picnic on August 24, 2019. Subject streets include Boise walkway and Colorado Street from Fourth Street to the church property line. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
19-197 5B. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Talley** to concur with the administration and approve the reappointment of Anthony Bowers to the Recreation Commission with a term to expire on December 31, 2022. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
19-198 5C. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Roscoe** to concur with the administration and legal counsel and adopt the amended employee policy and procedure manual – policy #36. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
6. Clerk's Report
19-199 6A1. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Talley** to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 18/19-28, Retiree Health Care Fund which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 24, 2019. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
19-200 6A2. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Webb** to approve the first reading of the Conditional Rezoning (Zoning Map Amendment), Conditional Zoning Agreement for **RZ-2019-002** for **Precision Vehicle Storage** for 35.55 acres of property at 37685 Van Born (Parcel ID #80-021-99-0002-701) from M-2 General Industrial to M-T, Industrial Transportation to allow for the outdoor storage of new vehicles and pick-up trucks and the accessory outdoor storage of car haulers and SLU-2019-001, **Precision Vehicle Storage,** special land use subject to:
That a site plan be submitted for approval before development is approved for this site. Comments made by OHM and the Fire Department shall be addressed in the site plan submitted. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
7. Public Comment
8. Unfinished Business
9. New Business
10. Communication
11. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Webb** to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council meeting at 8:25 p.m. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
I, Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on July 01, 2019.

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Calendar of events

Farmers Market is open

The Romulus Farmer's Market is open from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. every Wednesday through Sept. 25.

Each Wednesday include a theme day giveaway and those who enroll in the free market Kid's Club receive a $2 coupon each month.

The market takes place at the Romulus Historical Park Pavilion, 11147 Hunt St. in Romulus. For more information, call (734) 955-4531.

Free movie in Romulus

Romulus Recreation will present free Movies in the Park during the summer. The movie for Friday, July 19 is Incredibles 2 and for Friday, Aug. 16 is A Dog's Way Home.

The movies begin at dusk or near 9 p.m. at Historical Park Pavilion, 36095 Goddard Road in Romulus.

Church hosts clothing Give Away

Lighthouse Home Mission in Westland will host a Clothing Give Away from 10 a.m. until 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday, July 19 and 20.

Visitors can purchase a new gray cloth bag for $2 and fill it up with clothing. There is no limit on the number of bags that can be purchased. Each visitor will also be given a box in which to put shoes, coats and larger items.

The church is located at 34033 Palmer Road in Westland.

Library marks moon landing

Canton Public Library is celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Apollo Moon Landing at 2 p.m. Saturday, July 20.

All are welcome to stop by for activities, light snacks (while supplies last) and video footage of Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin's first steps on the moon. World of Rocks in Ypsilanti will have a display of space rocks.

The event is one of many programs and activities lined up for the space-themed 62 Days of Summer library program. There are galactic puzzles and a cosmic scavenger hunt in the library. Visit www.cantonpl.org/calendar for a full list of programs.

The Canton Public Library is located at 1200 S. Canton Center Road in Canton. Call (734) 397-0999 for library information.

Romulus Community Festival begins

The American Progressive Association is sponsoring the Romulus Community Festival including a free family movie in the park beginning at about 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 26 at the T. J. Coleman Community Center, 35351 Beverly Road in Romulus, just east of Wayne Road.

The movie July 26 will be Little and concessions will be available. Visitors should bring their own blankets and chairs for seating.

The event will feature an all-day festival from noon until 9 p.m. Saturday, July 27 with activities, food music and vendors along with bouncers and children's contests. A Gospel Celebration is set for 2-8 p.m. on Sunday July 28 along with praise dancers, church choirs and vendors.

From more information, contact (734) 728-9904 or (313) 485-1312.

Revolutionary 60s on display

The Plymouth Historical Museum has a new exhibit dedicated to the decade of peace movements, riots, the Vietnam War, the British music invasion, the moon landing, the Tiger's World Series championship, and many other events of the 1960s. Displays include a 1965 Mustang, a typical family scene from the 1960s, bicycles of the era, a vignette of the Apollo Moon Landing and a life-size street scene of the Beatles on Abbey Road.

Revolutionary '60s is sponsored by Blackwell Ford of Plymouth.

The exhibit will continue until Nov. 6. During this period, visitors can take advantage of "Free Summer Saturdays" admission which ends Aug. 31 and is sponsored by Comfort Keepers of Plymouth. Museum hours are 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The museum is located at 155 South Main St. Plymouth, 48170.

For more information, call (734) 455-8940

Church hosts bazaar

St. Clements Episcopal Church in Inkster will host a bazaar from noon until 7 p.m. July 27 which will include slighting used appliances and clothing and lots of crafts for sale. There will also be food available for purchase. The church is located at 4300 Harrison St. at the corner of Harrison and Pine, one block north of Annapolis Street, in Inkster.

Christmas in July sale set

The Belleville Central Business Community is hosting the Christmas in July Sidewalk Sale from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Saturday July 27 throughout the downtown area.

Sales are planned at merchants on Main Street in Belleville and Downtown on the Lake.

Vendors and crafters will be stationed in the Fourth Street Square.

For more information or registration for crafters, call Janet Millard, event coordination at (734) 558-5368.

Jazz at The Elks planned

Jazz at The Elks takes place from 7-9:30 p.m. on the last Tuesday of the month at the Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge. There is a $10 donation at the door which includes hors d'oeuvres.

New to the Elks will be Jim Cooper on vibraphone with the Jim Cooper Quartet who will perform July 30. Also performing will be returning musicians, Cliff Monear on keyboard, Kurt Krahnke on bass, and Pete Siers on drums.

The Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge 325 is located at 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth.

For more information, call (734) 453-1780 or visit www.plyaa325.com or email jazzattheelks@gmail.com.

Sister Pie founder to speak

Sister Pie Founder Lisa Ludwinski is known as much for her delicious pies as for her community engagement in Detroit.

The business owner and cookbook author will speak at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 31 the Canton Public Library.

There will be a few treats to taste while supplies last, but the main event is a presentation on Ludwinski's journey from concept to kitchen. Learn how her mindset and business model set the company up for success.

No registration required. The Canton Public Library is located at 1200 S. Canton Center Road in Canton. Visit www.cantonpl.org or call (734) 397-0999 for library information.

Shakespeare returns to Canton

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill is teaming up with the Michigan Shakespeare Festival to bring several special performances to Canton this summer. The Michigan Shakespeare Festival will once again be performing in Canton this during their summer residency at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill. From Aug. 2 through 18, the Michigan Shakespeare Festival will present the 2019 season lineup at The Village Theater, located at 50400 Cherry Hill Road.

Performances will include: William Shakespeare's "King Lear" and "The Two Gentlemen of Verona", as well as Edmond Rostand's "Cyrano de Bergerac." Tickets can be purchased at the door or in advance at www.cantonvillage theater.org, by calling (734) 394-5300, or in person from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Monday through Friday at The Village Theater.

Cardboard Boat Race returns

The 5th Annual Summit on the Park Cardboard Boat Race will cast off starting at 6 p.m. Friday, Aug. 2.

Racers will build boats no bigger than 5 ½-feet wide by 10-feet long using only cardboard, duct tape and paint. Register online at www.summitonthepark.org or at the Summit front desk.

Cardboard Boat Race event fees per boat are: $10 for Summit members; $15 for Canton residents; and $20 for non-residents. Oars will be provided for use during race.

Awards will be presented in the following categories: Most Creative; Fastest Boat, and The Titanic Award. Each vessel will be timed individually.

For additional information and race rules, visit www.summitonthepark.org or call (734) 394-5460.

Bible Walk trip planned

New Birth Baptist Church and Sisters With A Purpose will host a Bible Walk trip to Ohio on Saturday, Aug. 24.

Participants will leave the Inkster church, located at 27628 Avondale St. at 7 a.m. to travel to 500 Tingley in Mansfield Ohio.

The $95 fee includes round-trip travel on a luxury motor coach, snacks on the bus and dinner at the Bible Walk. Fees must be paid in full by July 22 and there will be no refunds. All checks must be made payable to Sisters With a Purpose and mailed to New Birth Baptist Church at the address listed above. There will be a $12 fee for any non-sufficient funds or returned check.

For more information, contact President Orlessia Watson at (313) 748-8667; Vice President Wanda Kirkland (313) 415-8071, Secretary Corrinthia Glenn, (313) 687-7026 or Shirley Walker (313) 544-0354.

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